

Application Rating System

Meets National Objectives

The activity may receive maximum points if it meets one of following National Objectives:

- Benefits Low-Moderate Income Persons
- Prevention/Elimination of Slums or Blight
- Urget Needs

If no national objectives are met, the application will be deemed ineligible and will not be considered for funding.

City of Jefferson Consolidated Plan Priority

The activity may receive maximum points if it addresses at least one (1) community need outlined in the City of Jefferson's Consolidated Plan.

- Provide decent, affordable housing
- Create sustainable living environments
- Improve economic opportunity

If no identified community needs are met, the application will be deemed ineligible and will not be considered for funding.

Activity Need and Justification

The activity may be eligible to receive maximum points if documentation and justification of the need for the activity are clearly and accurately defined.

- Is there sufficient, logical justification as to why this activity is needed in the community?
- Does this activity address a current, critical community need?
- Is this activity a new activity for the organization? If it is not, would funding the continuation of the activity substantially increase the number of clients benefitted?
- If the grant is a continued request, it will receive lower points. Public Services funds are not intended to be used to continually fund activities year after year.

Cost Reasonable and Effectiveness

The activity will be eligible for maximum points if grant funds are only requested for direct activity costs and no administration expenses.

- What is the Admin vs. Program Cost ratio?
- What is the cost per client?
- Does it seem the activity will be sustainable after CDBG grant funds or will funds always be required to continue the activity?

Activity Management and Implementation

Maximum points may be awarded if the requestor shows resources needed to manage the proposed activity are available and ready and that they commitment for operation and maintenance has been certified. If applicant has received CDBG funds in the past, their maintenance record for the funded activity will be evaluated.

Experience and Past Performance

Maximum points may be awarded if the applicant has a proven reputation for being able to fulfill all grant requirements and expend funds in a timely manner.

Application Completeness

Maximum points may be awarded if the application packet was submitted on time and complete.

Bonus Points:

Collaboration

Providing “matching” funds-the agency is providing some of their own funding for the activity.

Displays potential for largest impact on the community